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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CSCE

SUBJECT: CSCE BASKET II: CONGRESSIONAL REQUEST FOR  
INFORMATION

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM SENATOR HUMPHREY  
IN HIS CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE  
REQUESTING DETAILED INFORMATION ON BASKET II COMPLIANCE  
BY ALL CSCE SIGNATORIES. SPECIFICALLY, HE HAS ASKED  
FOR DETAILS REGARDING:

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--THE PUBLICATION RECORD TO DATE OF CSCE COUNTRIES ON

BASIC STATISTICAL REPORTS, PARTICULARLY ANNUAL REPORTS ON DOMESTIC PRODUCTION, FOREIGN TRADE, ETC., AS MENTIONED IN THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT (SECTION ON ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION);

--WHETHER INFORMATION IS BEING REPORTED IN THE DETAIL AND IN CONFORMITY TO INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATIONS TO MATCH THE QUALITY OF STANDARD INTERNATIONALLY REPORTED ECONOMIC DATA;

--WHETHER AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE FOR ADEQUATE MARKET AND CROP ASSESSMENTS AND FORECASTS;

--WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT OBTAINING CONSISTENT, TIMELY, AND RELIABLE INTERNATIONAL STATISTICAL SYSTEMS IN CONFORMANCE TO THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF THE FINAL ACT;

--WHAT INFORMATION AND DATA BEYOND THAT SPECIFICALLY AGREED TO SHOULD WE BE SEEKING BY BILATERAL OR MULTILATERAL AGREEMENT.

SENATOR HUMPHREY'S LETTER REQUESTS THAT ALL THE SPECIFIC POINTS MENTIONED IN THE ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION SECTION OF THE FINAL ACT BE ADDRESSED IN OUR REPLY, AND THAT ALL CSCE PARTICIPATING STATES BE COVERED.

2. WE HAVE RESPONDED TO SEN. HUMPHREY'S REQUEST BY NOTING THAT PL 94-304, ENACTED INTO LAW JUNE 3, PROVIDES FOR CREATION OF A CSCE COMMISSION AND FOR SEMIANNUAL REPORTS BY THE PRESIDENT TO COMMISSION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF FINAL ACT. WE STATED THAT DEPARTMENT INTENDS TO REPLY TO HIS INQUIRY WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE FIRST SUCH REPORT, WHICH IS DUE DECEMBER 3. (FYI: OUR DRAFT OF THIS REPORT IS DUE NOVEMBER 1. END FYI).

3. WE WISH TO BE AS RESPONSIVE AS POSSIBLE TO QUESTIONS RAISED BY SENATOR HUMPHREY. WHILE HIS QUESTIONS CLEARLY AIMED AT SOV/EE COMPLIANCE, WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO RESPOND WITH INFORMATION ON ALL CSCE COUNTRIES.

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4. ACCORDINGLY, ADDRESSEE POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE DEPARTMENT WITH REPLIES TO ABOVE POINTS, INCLUDING PRECISE DESCRIPTION OF HOST COUNTRY'S OFFICIAL STATISTICAL AND NARRATIVE PUBLICATIONS ON STATE OF ECONOMY, PARTICULARLY AGRICULTURAL SECTOR, AND FOREIGN TRADE. IN COMPILING RESPONSES POSTS SHOULD REVIEW CAREFULLY FINAL ACT SECTION ON ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION. SPECIFIC INDICATIONS OF HOST COUNTRY PUBLICATION OF

INFORMATION ON EACH SUBJECT MENTIONED MUST BE PROVIDED.

FYI: ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION SECTION OF FINAL ACT COMMITS STATES TO "PROMOTE THE PUBLICATION AND DISSEMINATION OF ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION AT REGULAR INTERVALS AND AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE." PARTICULAR TYPES OF INFORMATION CITED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(1) STATISTICS CONCERNING PRODUCTION, NATIONAL INCOME, BUDGET, CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTIVITY;

(2) FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS DRAWN UP ON THE BASIS OF COMPARABLE CLASSIFICATION INCLUDING BREAKDOWN BY PRODUCT WITH INDICATION OF VOLUME AND VALUE, AS WELL AS COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OR DESTINATION;

(3) LAWS AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING FOREIGN TRADE;

(4) INFORMATION ALLOWING FORECASTS OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE ECONOMY TO ASSIST IN TRADE PROMOTION, FOR EXAMPLE, INFORMATION ON THE GENERAL ORIENTATION OF NATIONAL ECONOMIC PLANS AND PROGRAMMES; AND

(5) OTHER INFORMATION TO HELP BUSINESSMEN IN COMMERCIAL CONTACTS, FOR EXAMPLE, (A) PERIODIC DIRECTORIES, LISTS, AND WHERE POSSIBLE, (B) ORGANIZATIONAL CHARTS OF FIRMS AND ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED WITH FOREIGN TRADE.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE THE PARTICIPATING STATES AGREED TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE EXCHANGE OF ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION THROUGH, WHERE APPROPRIATE, JOINT COMMISSIONS FOR ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION, NATIONAL AND JOINT CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, AND OTHER SUITABLE BODIES. END FYI.  
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5. YOUR RESPONSE SHOULD INDICATE WHETHER AND TO WHAT EXTENT INFORMATION IN EACH OF THE ABOVE CATEGORIES IS PUBLISHED AT REGULAR INTERVALS AND AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. POST ANALYSIS REGARDING TIMELINESS AND UTILITY OF THIS MATERIAL FOR ENHANCING ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL RELATIONS WITH US WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL, AS WOULD INDICATIONS OF EXTENT, IF ANY, TO WHICH QUALITY AND/OR QUANTITY OF ECONOMIC INFORMATION AVAILABLE HAS INCREASED SINCE SIGNING OF FINAL ACT. ANY SUPPLEMENTARY ANALYSIS WILL BE WELCOMED BUT WILL NOT SUBSTITUTE FOR PRECISE DETAILED INFORMATION WHICH WE REQUIRE.

6. FOR EMBASSIES BRUSSELS, OTTAWA, COPENHAGEN, VIENNA, HELSINKI, PARIS, BONN, REYKJAVIK, DUBLIN, ROME, LUXEMBOURG,

THE HAGUE, OSLO, STOCKHOLM, BERN AND LONDON: WE WILL ASSUME THAT COUNTRIES TO WHICH YOU ARE ACCREDITED CONFORM FULLY TO CSCE STANDARDS UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY BY SEPTEMBER 30.

7. FOR EMBASSIES NICOSIA, VALLETTA, LISBON, MADRID, ANKARA, AND BELGRADE: WE BELIEVE IT IS POSSIBLE THAT COUNTRIES TO WHICH YOU ARE ACCREDITED DO NOT PUBLISH ALL THE ABOVE INFO. WE WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE COMPLETE RESPONSES TO ABOVE QUESTIONS.

8. FOR PARIS (WITH RESPECT TO MONACO), ROME (WITH RESPECT TO HOLY SEE), ZURICH (FOR LIECHTENSTEIN) AND FLORENCE (FOR SAN MARINO): WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY RELEVANT INFO YOU MAY HAVE WITH RESPECT TO PUBLICATION OF COMMERCIAL INFO BY THESE MINI STATES.

9. FULL REPORTS ARE REQUIRED FROM ALL OTHER ADDRESSEE POSTS. ALL REPLIES SHOULD BE RECEIVED IN DEPARTMENT BY SEPTEMBER 30, AND SHOULD BE SLUGGED FOR EUR/RPE.

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